GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Agriculture Marketing Department - Revision of Market fee for paddy and Prawns / Shrimp - Notification - Issued.

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AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (MKTG-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.27 Dated:22.04.2022

Read the following:-

1. A.P.Gezette No.71, dated:25th March, 1998 Rules supplement to Part-II.
2. G.O.Ms. No.247, A&C(Mktg-II) Department,dt:13.08.2007.
3. From the Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur Lr.No.AGCO5-11030/12/ 2022, dated:25-02-2022.

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ORDER:

In the reference 3rd read above, the Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur has stated that market yards play a key role in facilitating farmers in marketing their Agriculture and aqua produce. With the onset of e-Nam, the trade within the market yards have become transparent and profitable by providing remunerative prices to their commodities. To serve the farming society in a better way by making AMCs accessible to farmers and to bring better coordination, the number of AMCs in the State were increased from 191 to 218 in the year 2021-22. Due to reorganization of 191 AMCs coterminous with Assembly constituencies, 27 new Agricultural Market Committees have been constituted, and total of 218 AMCs are functioning in the state. To improve the connectivity to the market yards and to provide other infrastructure facilities within the notified area, the Department is coming up with a Andhra Pradesh Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure Development Project (APAMIDP) to take up developmental works, which includes developmental works in the market yard, primary processing facilities, laying & improving rural roads connecting farmgate to markets, construction and developing Rythu Bazars etc. To develop this infrastructure, the current income of AMCs is insufficient and additional funds are required. To generate additional revenue for AMCs, it is proposed to increase income of the Market committees by increasing the market fee on Paddy and by withdrawing the concession given to Prawn/shrimp.

2. The Commissioner & Director of Marketing has further submitted that, many States are collecting 2% Market fee on trade value of paddy as Market fee. In our State, paddy is the most important crop both in terms of area and production. And hence he has requested for enhancement of Market fee on paddy from existing 1% to 2%.

3. In the reference 2nd read above, Government have issued orders to levy Market fee at the rate of 0.25% on Prawns meant for the purpose of export from Andhra Pradesh State to other countries on the export value of Prawns w.e.f. from 01.02.2006 and at the rate of 0.50% on the trade value of prawn sold in domestic market.

4. The Commissioner & Director of Marketing has further submitted that the above concession was given for prawns and shrimp in 2007 to support exports to other states and countries. The Shrimp/prawn production in 2005-06 was 68,732 MT which rose to 7,26,682 MT in 2020-21. The production has increased by 957% with an Annual Growth Rate of 17%.

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Andhra Pradesh has emerged as one of the leading producer and exporter of prawns and shrimp. Hence, it is recommended to withdraw the concession of market fee and to collect 1% market fee which is equivalent to market fee collected by other prawn cultivating states and also on par with many other major commodities.

5. In the circumstances explained by the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur, after careful examination of the matter, Government hereby enhance the market fee on the trade value of Paddy from existing 1% to 2%. In respect of Prawns/shrimp, the market fee shall be increased from 0.25% to 1% for the purpose of export to other countries and to enhance Market fee from 0.50% to 1% on the trade value of prawns /Shrimp sold in domestic market duly cancelling the G.O.Ms.No.247, dt: 13.08.2007 of Agri & Coop(AM-II) Department.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 33 of the Andhra Pradesh(Agricultural Produce and Live Stock) Markets Act,1966, Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby approves the following amendment to the Bye-law 24(1) of the Agriculture Market Committee's Bye-laws in the State and the intention to make such declaration having been previously published in Part-I Extra-ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette No.71, dated:25th March, 1998 Rules supplement to Part-II as required under sub-section (1) of section 34 read with sub-sections (1) of section 12 of the said Act.

Amendment

In the said Byelaws:-

For the existing Schedule under Byelaw 24(1), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

SCHEDULE

SI.No.	Notified Commodities	Rate of Market Fee in Rupees
(1)	(2)	(3)
(a)	**All notified Agrl. Commodities, Livestock and products of Livestock except paddy, Fish, Prawns/Shrimp and specified exempted Agril. Commodities**	**Rs.1.00 per every hundred Rupees (1%)**
(b)	**1. Paddy**	**Rs.2 per every hundred Rupees (2%).**
	2. Prawns /Shrimp (Domestic & Export)	**Rs.1.00 per every hundred Rupees (1%).**
	3. Fish	**Rs.0.50ps per every hundred Rupees (0.50%).**

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6. This amendment to Byelaw 24(1) shall come into force with effect from the date of the Notification in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette.

7. As per existing Act / Rules, the revised Market fee shall be levied and collected from the purchasers / purchasing organizations / exporters. The enhanced Market fee shall be utilized for the purpose of creating infrastructure facilities in Market Yards and primary processing facilities to farmers, laying & improving connectivity from farmgate to market places and private Markets and also for development of Rythu Bazars in the State.

8. The Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action as per sub-section (1) & (2) of section 34 of the Andhra Pradesh (Agricultural Produce and Live Stock) Markets Act, 1966.

9. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide their U.O.No. FMUOASD(AC)/21/2022,Dt:21.03.2022.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVENOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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